

## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## GEORGIA DOT SCHEDULES ASPHALT REPAIR ON **INTERSTATE 75 IN CATOOSA COUNTY AND HIGHWAYS 16** AND 1 IN CARROLL COUNTY

WHEN: Tuesday, July 24 through Friday, July 27, 2012 from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: Interstate 75 in Catoosa County and State Route (SR) 16 and SR 1 in Carroll County

**WHAT** Georgia DOT's maintenance crews will be repairing the deteriorating asphalt spots on I-57 between

mile markers 345 and 353 in Catoosa County; and SR 16 at mile marker 5 and SR 1 between mile

markers 11 and 13 in Carroll County. Work will proceed daily between the hours

of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., weather permitting.

Each day, hundreds of Georgia Department of Transportation employees and contractors work on dozens of highway, bridge and intersection improvements throughout the state. Their work often brings them and heavy machinery in close proximity to travel lanes. Fifty-seven Georgia DOT personnel and many more motorists, passengers and contractors' workers have been killed in highway work zone accidents since 1973. Please help us prevent these tragedies by slowing down; being especially attentive and cautious as you pass through construction work zones; and always driving responsibly. Safer Driving; Safer Work Zones for Everyone. For information on the Department of Transportation, visit (www.dot.ga.gov); you also may follow Georgia DOT on Facebook (http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) and Twitter (http://twitter.com/gadeptoftrans).

On Tuesday, July 31, voters will decide if 12 designated districts across Georgia will be authorized to collect a one-cent sales tax for the next 10 years to be devoted exclusively to local and regional transportation projects. Funds collected in the Northwest Georgia Region could only be spent in that same region and only to move forward projects chosen by local elected officials. More than 1,600 such local projects throughout the state, including 105 in Northwest Georgia, have been selected by city and county leaders. For further information on the important Transportation Referendum, please visit: www.dot.ga.gov/transportationreferendum.